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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL Address to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents Box RCE Washington, D.C. 20231	Application Number	09/361,542
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**a. ☐ Previously submittedi. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____

(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____iii. ☐ Other _____

b. Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Replyii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)iv. ☐ Other _____20/Reg under
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2-11-032. **Miscellaneous**a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)b. ☐ Other _____3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. **16-2480**.i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)iii. ☐ Suspension of action fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i)iv. ☐ Other _____**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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